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## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

--[0005] Hence an object of the present invention was to <u>simply and also</u> <u>subsequently</u> modify in a <u>simple manner</u>, even <u>subsequent to the basic dye</u> <del>synthesis,</del> certain physical and/or chemical properties of these dyes such as their solubility in certain media, their tendency to interact unspecifically with substrates and/or vessel walls or their coupling ability without essentially changing the very good spectral properties of the dyes.--